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LAST EDITION FOR PATROL WAGONS.

The Police Commissioners Get a \$25,000 Appropriation.

A Real Beginning Towards a Complete Signal System.

All the Result of "The Evening World's" Agitation.

The first step in the direction of equipping the Police Department of the city with a complete signal system and a patrol wagon service was taken this morning by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. The patrol wagons are to be built and within a month or two they will be in active service. Then the disgruntled "comrades" of women being dragged through the streets to police stations and courts will be witnessed no more. Everything which "The Evening World" has said upon the subject has been endorsed by the Board of Estimate and by the Police Commissioners.

The action taken this morning is as stated, but it is a long stride in the right direction. Further, it is promised that every effort will be made to complete the signal system, and, if necessary, the Legislature will be asked for the money.

For seven years this matter has been treated like a football. Some weeks ago "The Evening World" championed the cause of the public, took up the subject, and induced the Police Commissioners to take action with the result that when the Board of Estimate and Apportionment met this morning, to consider the fiscal estimates for 1894, President MacLean and Commissioners Sheehan and McLean were on hand.

In the provisional estimates, as stated in "The Evening World," a sum of \$12,500 was appropriated for patrol wagons, and this sum it was proposed to increase to \$25,000.

When the item was reached, President Martin, of the Police Board, asked the question and stated the pressing need of the money. The amount asked for, he said, would provide wagons for every police station where there was a man. With these wagons in use, women prisoners could be transferred from one precinct to another, and taken to court decently instead of being led or carried as now. Of course, such a supply of wagons, he said, would not begin to meet the demand, but it was something.

"Well, I consider that the Police Commissioners are the best judges of the matter," said President Martin. "I am ready to vote for the increase." The other members of the Board of Estimate nodded an approval.

"Well, Mr. Mayor," interjected Commissioner MacLean, "so long as we have no police signal system, I am ready to vote for the increase." "That is the most ridiculous thing I ever heard of," said President Martin. "Does not the Commissioner know that women are arrested in every precinct, and that the police have to carry them to court? It is a mere makeshift anyhow, for a police signal system," said President Martin. "Finding that we could not get money for the signal system, we decided to do the next best thing, get in whatever wagons we could use without the signal system."

He admitted that such a course had not been decided upon until after the provisional estimates had been made, and after "The Evening World" had taken up the matter.

The estimates of the Police Department were finally passed at \$13,137.64.

ABE SAYS ZELLA WENT AWAY. Admits It After "The World" Has an Interview With Her.

Mr. Abe Hummel, counsel for Mrs. Zella Nicolaus in her suit against George Gould for \$40,000, admitted to an "Evening World" reporter this morning that it was true that his client had gone abroad, and that she is now in London, as stated in "The World" to-day.

Whether or not the suit has been settled Mr. Hummel refused to say, but his partner, Mr. Howe, declared that there had been no compromise, and that the case must eventually come to the courts.

STEAMER MARSALA SIGHTED. A Week Overdue, She Is Seen Off Atlantic Highlands.

The steamer Marsala, which sailed from Hamburg Nov. 25, and was a week or more overdue, has been sighted. She was seen from the Atlantic Highlands at 10.40 o'clock this morning.

PARKHURST VISITS NICOLL. Another Mysterious Consultation with the District-Attorney.

Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst, President of the Society for the Prevention of Crime, called on District-Attorney Nicoll this morning and remained nearly an hour in consultation with him. No disclosures were made as to the cause of Dr. Parkhurst's visit, but it is generally surmised that it referred to prospective charges against police of Holan.

END OF MEYER TRIAL.

The Jury Discharged on the Report of the Physicians.

Juror Low Is Suffering from Acute Mania.

Justice Barrett Says the Court Was Deliberately Deceived.

The jury in the trial of Dr. Henry C. F. Meyer was discharged by Justice Barrett, in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, this morning. Dr. Carlos F. MacDonald and Charles L. Dana having submitted a report to the Court that Alexander B. Low, the seventh juror, who went mad during the closing address of Charles W. Brooke, was hopelessly insane, and that his recovery of mental balance was exceedingly improbable.

The report of the famous alienists selected to examine Low was a voluminous document. It related the history of the family of Low, the history of his former insanity, and the record of his present attack, concluding with a statement that the juror was suffering with acute mania.

Justice Barrett read only the conclusions of the specialists in insanity. He said: "I regret to have to inform you that the report is of such a character as to make it impossible to go any further with this trial. The finding of the physicians on the data at their command is as follows:

"From a careful consideration of all the facts observed by us, together with the information obtained from others, we are clearly of the opinion that Alexander B. Low is insane and a proper subject for care and treatment as an insane person that the form of his insanity is that known and recognized as acute mania, and that by reason of such insanity he is mentally incompetent to act in the capacity of a juror, nor is he likely, in our opinion, to become competent to act in such capacity in the near future."

"CHARLES F. MACDONALD. "CHARLES L. DANA. Justice Barrett said he felt some explanation should be made regarding Juror Low. It had been reported that Mr. Low had expressed himself as unwilling to sit upon the jury. On the contrary, he said, he was not only able but willing to act as a juror.

He declared the Court in his answers, in short, telling absolute untruths about his mental health.

Justice Barrett expressed sympathy with the eleven business men who had been put to so much inconvenience and distress, and who had attended to their duties as jurors so faithfully, and concluded by saying:

"There is nothing more to be done save to discharge the jury. It is so ordered."

Brooke asked that the full report of Drs. MacDonald and Dana be made a part of the minutes, and then expected the jury to be discharged. "Do you mean that seriously?" asked Justice Barrett, his expressive brows arched.

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TOOK HER OWN LIFE.

Pretty Annie Geoghan Shoots Herself in the Breast.

Her Husband Aroused from Sleep by the Shot.

He Is Said to Have Squandered a Fortune—She Was Despondent.

Mrs. Annie Geoghan, twenty-four years old, the pretty wife of Richard Geoghan, committed suicide at her home, 70 West One Hundred and Thirty-second street, about 2 o'clock this morning by shooting herself in the breast with a 32-caliber revolver.

The Geoghans had lived in the house for about six months. They had been married only one year.

They were ever a quiet couple. The husband was out all day and often all night. The wife seemed to worry a great deal. Whatever her trouble was she kept it to herself; no word of complaint escaped her.

The two stood outside the club-house for five minutes and talked. Then they went home together. It was nearly midnight when they reached the One Hundred and Thirty-second street house. There was no quarrel, the husband says. He wanted to know how she knew where to find him, and she wouldn't say.

Half an hour later she got up for a drink of water. "I'll get it for you, Annie," he said. "Get up and get it," she said. "I'll get it for you," he said. "Get up and get it," she said.

She was thoroughly awakened a minute later by the sound of a pistol shot. Jumping out of bed he ran into the bedroom, where he found his wife lying on the floor, her head on the bed.

He reached the door he heard his wife cry "My God, I'm gone!" Then she lay dead. He was by the door when the light of a lamp his wife staggered and fell to the floor.

He is said to have been a gambler. No blood had flowed from the wound. The hemorrhage was internal.

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MAIL UNDER ARREST.

Cashier of the Commercial Bank of Brooklyn Indicted.

The Charge Against Him Is Swearing to Fraudulent Reports.

Warrant Said to Be Out for Another High Official.

John J. Vail, Cashier of the wrecked Commercial Bank of Brooklyn, was arrested at his home, 245 Jefferson avenue, to-day, by Detective Bagmarillo, of District-Attorney Ridgway's office.

He was arrested on a charge of perjury, contained in an indictment presented to Judge Moore, of the Court of Sessions, by the Kings County Grand Jury last Friday.

The specific charge is that, while he was cashier of the Commercial Bank, for several months previous to the failure of that institution, he swore to false and fraudulent reports sent to the State Banking Department, in order to conceal the true condition of the bank's financial affairs.

Immediately after his arrest he was taken before Judge Moore and asked what he had to say.

"I refuse to plead," he said, "until I have seen my counsel."

Judge Moore told him he had that right. He was then taken to the prisoners' pen. As he sat down he asked the detective to send for his lawyer, Adolph Simis, Jr.

At the time this indictment was handed up by the Grand Jury, there was also another one handed to Judge Moore, which has not been out of his possession since.

It was said that it was an indictment against another high official of the bank who would be arrested to-day.

Previous to taking Vail before Judge Moore, Detective Bagmarillo, at the request of the prisoner, stopped at the Clarendon Hotel, to see the proprietor.

It is supposed he wished to make arrangements for bail.

Judge Moore called the prisoner before him again later.

Vail was led to the bar by a court officer.

"I forget to ask you," said Judge Moore, "if you understand this indictment at any moment."

"I prefer to have my lawyer present," said the prisoner, "and I expect him here at any moment."

"All right," said Judge Moore, "we will wait for him. He is about 55 years old. He is about 6 feet 2 inches tall and weighs in the neighborhood of 200 pounds. He wears a gray beard, but shaves his upper lip.

THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH.

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THE TWO HEADED LEADER

Tammany's Latest Addition to its Unparalleled Aggregation of Attractions.

MR. BARKER MISUNDERSTOOD

So Said Mr. Sheehy Regarding Poor Patients at Bellevue.

Exciting Dispute at the Board of Estimate Meeting.

A question of veracity was raised between Tax Commissioner Barker and Charles Commissioner Sheehy at the meeting of the Board of Estimate to-day.

Mr. Barker said that Mr. Sheehy told him that poor patients were crowded out of Bellevue Hospital to make room for pay patients.

Mayor Gilroy said if that was so he would appoint an investigating committee at once.

Mr. Sheehy hastened to say that Mr. Barker had misunderstood him.

"No, I didn't," retorted Mr. Barker. The exchange of denials created a scare. As Commissioner Sheehy insisted that there was a misunderstanding, the Mayor let the matter drop.

TILLIE MARKERT FOUND.

Female Guardian Society Compelled to Show Its Records.

The order issued by Judge Truax, of the Supreme Court yesterday, directing the officers of the American Female Guardian Society, 23 East Twenty-ninth street, to furnish to Charles Grooskurth, extracts from the records of the institution, was complied with to-day.

Tillie Markert, the ten-year-old daughter of Charles Markert, who three years ago abandoned his child in Paterson, N. J., is now living with the family of Dr. Abram H. Stevens, in Vineland, N. J.

According to Secretary Tacker, of the Guardian Society, this is the first time in the history of the institution, which has existed for sixty-seven years, that the records have been opened.

Mr. Grooskurth, the uncle of the child, who was fighting for its restoration, will go to Vineland this afternoon to see Tillie.

Wire News in Brief.

R. C. Vandergift, a New York contractor and builder, of Charlottesville, Va., assigned yesterday.

The factory of the Creamery Milk Company, at South Whittier, Ind., was totally destroyed by fire last evening. The loss will reach \$100,000.

Fire at Waukegan, Ill. County, Tex., yesterday destroyed the principal block of the town. Loss \$150,000.

John Roy, aged thirteen years, colored, was probably fatally injured last night at Washington while playing with fire.

Rich and extensive phosphate beds have been discovered in Lewis County, Tenn.

The body of John Speckman, a guard at the Ohio Penitentiary, who mysteriously disappeared last Friday, was found yesterday in woods near Columbus, O. He had shot himself in the head and taken morphine.

The jury in the United States Circuit Court, in the Italian banking case of Monastero vs. the City of New Orleans returned a verdict for plaintiff for \$2,000 yesterday.

During a street fight at Judon, La., yesterday H. P. Cleveland, a prominent lawyer, was shot and probably fatally wounded by John Marshall, N. J. Marshall is under arrest.

Simon Killian, of St. Louis, was killed while trying to board a train near Sandusky, Ill.

A man supposed to be Mr. Trainor, of Danvers, Ill., was killed by a passenger train near Bushy Hill, Ill.

Five boys were suffocated in an incendiary fire, which destroyed George C. Tall's barn on Franklin street, Springfield, Mass., yesterday.

STOCKHOLDERS OBJECT.

Want the New York and Northern Sale Enjoined.

Emil Oelberman and other stock and bondholders of the New York and Northern Railroad Company moved, through Simon Stern, before Justice Truax, of the Supreme Court, to-day for an injunction to enjoin the sale of the New York and Northern Dec. 28 in foreclosure proceedings.

The foreclosure action was brought by the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company under the terms of a mortgage on the bulk of which were held by the New York Central. It was claimed that the whole of the New York Central, to obtain possession of the New York and Northern.

The interest on the first mortgage has been regularly paid, and it is contended under the terms of the mortgage that the Central interest on the second could be paid.

MRS. FORSTER'S RETORT.

She Says Knirim Induced Her to Leave Her Husband.

A judgment which Mrs. Rosa Forster obtained on default against Saloon Keeper Joseph Knirim on Dec. 13 last for \$1,320, has been opened by Judge Newburger, of the City Court. Knirim says he paid no attention to the summons because he did not at first know who the plaintiff was, as he knew her only as the wife of a saloon keeper.

In reply she said she knew her very well for the past three years. She says she induced him to leave her husband and live with him at 165 Allen street. While so living with him she says she pawned her jewelry and borrowed \$1,000 from her, only \$100 of which he had returned.

She says it was at his suggestion she took the name Forster.

JUSTICE CONNOLLY REBUKED.

Sent a Man to the Penitentiary When He Had No Jurisdiction.

Police Justice Robert E. Connolly, of the Gates Avenue Court, received a severe rebuke at the hands of Justice Pratt and Assistant District-Attorney Shorter, in the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, this morning.

On Dec. 14 Justice Connolly sent Abraham Herschman, of Watkins street, East New York, to the Penitentiary for six months, on the charge of conspiracy.

Assistant District-Attorney Shorter told Judge Pratt that conspiracy did not come within the jurisdiction of a police magistrate, and that the code made that point explicit.

Mr. Shorter moved for Herschman's discharge. Judge Pratt, in granting the motion, said that of course a police magistrate had no jurisdiction.

NO CHANGE AT HONOLULU.

Steamer Mariposa Brings the Latest Hawaiian News.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The steamer Mariposa has arrived with news of no change in the situation at Honolulu.

IT CONDEMNS STEVENS.

House Committee Reports a Substitute Hawaiian Resolution.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The House Committee on Foreign Affairs agreed to-day to report a substitute for the Hawaiian resolution.

The substitute condemns the action of Minister Stevens in Hawaii.

Steamer Leona in Trouble.

The steamer Leona, Capt. Wilder, which arrived at her dock this morning from Chicago and a southeast gale the spare propeller on the after deck was washed away from fastenings by heavy seas, and did considerable damage before it could be secured.

The bark Olive Thorne, from Demerara, reached port to-day, and reports losing her job in a gale off Matamoros on Dec. 18.

Spare Propeller Breaks Loose.

The steamer Alert arrived to-day from Cardenas, and Capt. Wachmann reports that during a southeast gale the spare propeller on the after deck was washed away from fastenings by heavy seas, and did considerable damage before it could be secured.

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One of the Oldest and Best Known State Institutions in This City.

ITS CAPITAL IS IMPAIRED.

Bank Superintendent Preston Takes Immediate Charge of Affairs.

DEPOSITORS MAY NOT SUFFER.

Madison Square Bank Troubles Said to Be Responsible for the Suspension.

Wall street was startled shortly after 10 o'clock this morning by the announcement that the St. Nicholas Bank, which is in the Mills Building, at the corner of Broad street and Exchange Place, had closed its doors.

There was a general rush for the bank, and within a few moments a noisy and excited crowd had gathered about the entrance.

The doors had been locked and no one was allowed to go in. Upon the outer glass door the following notice was posted:

This bank is closed pending examination. CHARLES C. PRESTON, Superintendent.

This was all the explanation that was afforded the public of the sudden collapse of the institution, which is one of the oldest State banks in the city.

It was said at first that the Action of Bank Supt. Preston had been taken upon some secret information which he had obtained in regard to the bank's affairs, for at the Clearing-House Committee Scherer said that it was understood that the bank would close had been received there until a few minutes before 10 o'clock.

President Graves did not arrive at the bank until some time after the notice had been posted on the door. When he saw it he appeared to be dumfounded, and exclaimed in an excited tone:

"What can this mean? This is a very high-handed proceeding on the part of the Superintendent. I don't understand it. I supposed this bank was solvent."

The crowd made way for him, and he went in. He was met by Supt. Preston and Mr. Judson, his assistant.

He repeated to Mr. Preston what he had said outside, and declared that the closing of the bank was a high-handed proceeding, and demanded to know what it meant.

Mr. Preston and President Graves then went behind the railing in the office and engaged in a heated discussion. The bank was then closed of all outsiders and the doors locked.

It was learned afterwards that Supt. Preston had not acted without the concurrence of the Clearing-House Committee, and it was reported that he had had a conference yesterday with President Tappan, of the Clearing-House, and President Nass, of the Clearing-House Bank, members of the Committee, in regard to the affairs of the bank.

It is stated that the closing of the St. Nicholas is due very largely, if not entirely to its connection with the defunct Madison Square Bank.

The day before the Madison Square Bank failed the St. Nicholas obtained from it securities amounting to \$250,000, with which to meet an indebtedness of the Madison Square Bank of \$100,000.

The St. Nicholas Bank claimed the right to apply the remaining \$150,000 of these securities to meet the checks of State Treasurer Danforth and Frederick Uhlmann, which were cleared by the St. Nicholas Bank the following day.

The St. Nicholas Bank paid the checks, relying on the securities which had come from the Madison Square Bank, with the consent of the Clearing-House people.

Since the litigation over the Madison Square Bank began the St. Nicholas was compelled to relinquish the securities, which left them without any protection. The amount was over \$250,000, and as the matter is still in litigation it is believed that the loss of the use of this money has so crippled the bank that it is compelled to close its doors.

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"An examination by these three gentlemen of the bank's books revealed that the capital was largely impaired, and it was deemed advisable to close the doors of the bank, pending an examination."

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